Micrograde Quick Start Guide

Setting up a New Class

- 1. Open the application
 - Open the Micrograde program by double-clicking on the Micrograde icon.
 - Press the button New Class.
 - Press the button Experience User.
- 2. Set your preferences
 - From the *Edit menu* select **Preferences for** and **Letter grades and scores** from the sub menu.
 - Decide what you want to use for **Base final grade on** for example total points or percent weight.
 - From the *Edit menu*, again select **Preferences for** and choose **Student Information** from the sub menu. Review the options for Student ID numbers.
 - If you are importing students' records from ClassRoll, select IDs generated manually.
 - Turn off Web Ids.

3. Entering students

You can enter student either manually or automatically from your ClassRoll file.

- To manually enter students, select **Student Records** from the *Students Menu*. Enter your student's names, Ids, emails, and any additional notes.
- To automatically enter students from ClassRoll:
 - a. Open your Micrograde gradebook file.
 - b. From the *Menu bar* choose the option *Students*.
 - c. Select the **Import Students**.
 - d. Choose the option **Micrograde** from submenu.

e. In the dialog box that appears, find the Classroll file that you downloaded, highlight that file by clicking on it and press the **Open** button.

f. Depending on how your preferences are set, you may see the dialog box "Automatic IDs is selected, replace IDs in import file?" If you do see this dialog box, press the button <u>NO</u>.

- g. A dialog box with a red x and message "Import Complete" will appear, click the OK button.
- h. Next, press the **Finish** button.

Your students' names and Ids should now appear in the Class Roster Window.

4. Set Grade Standards

Select **Grade Standards** from the *Edit menu*. Adjust the grading symbols and percent cutoffs to meet you needs. The standards set up in Micrograde do not match Baylor's grading standards.

- 5. Set up Class Assignments:
 - Select **Setup Categories** from the *Edit menu*. Enter the Categories titles that will be used to group your class assignments.
 - You can have a maximum of 16 assignment categories. If a category will only contain a single assignment (such as final exam) click on the box before **Single Assignment category**.
 - To create an extra credit category, click on the box preceding this option.
 - If you are grading by percent weight or relative weight of categories and assignment you must enter a weight of each category

- To add assignments to a specific category select the category title in the list of category names or choose it form the **Category pop-up menu** found in lower par to of the window. Then click on the **add assignment button**.
- For each assignment you must enter a title and a maximum score. If you have select a grading method other than total points you must enter a percent or relative weight for each assignment.
- 6. Save File

Under the File option choose save file. Give your file a name and save that file in a location that you will easily find.

Enter Scores and Printing Reports

Once your course information is complete:

- 1. Pull down the *Windows Menu* and select each of the first four titles to open Micro grade's windows.
- 2. Return to the *Windows menu* and select **Tile Windows** to view all four windows simultaneously on screen.

The Micro Grade's windows from left to right are:

- Class Roster Window contains student names, Ids and overall grades.
- **Student Summary Window** contains information about a single student. Scores can be entered from this window.
- **Categories and Assignments Window** displays your course structure defining each assignment and the scoring status.
- **Scores window** is used to enter student scores on assignments. Individual assignments can be selected using the scroll bar at the top of the window.

To enter assignment scores:

- 1. Double click on the title of the assignment you wish to score in the **Categories and Assignment window**.
- 2. Use the zoom box in the upper right corner to fill the screen with the Scores Window.
- 3. Type in the first letter of the student's last name to quickly locate the student for score entry.
 - a. The select student will be underlined and the scores column will be highlighted. If necessary use the **TAB** key or the **up arrow** and **down arrow** keys to select the desired student.
- 4. Type in the student's raw score and press the **ENTER** or **RETURN** key.
- 5. Continue entering scores in this manner, when you move to a new student, the previous student's grade is calculated.
- 6. Use the Scores menu for special scoring situations.

To print reports:

- 1. Select the report title from the *Reports menu*.
- 2. View the options in the report dialog to customize the report content.
- 3. Reports can be printed, viewed on-screen and saved to disk. Make your selection from the pop-up menu named **Output to**.